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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2348.

HOUSE REFUSE REMOVAL.

(*Translation.*)

THE Council invites tenders for the Removal of House Refuse from the whole or part of the Settlement for one year beginning May 1, 1916. The Council will bring the House Refuse to the boats at the Shoots and will provide coolies for loading and unloading the boats; and will also provide a depôt for dumping refuse.

The Contractor will have the privilege of selling House Refuse for agricultural purposes. Further particulars can be obtained from the Health Officer, Honan Road, at 11 a m. daily.

Tenders to be sent to the undersigned on or before April 1, 1916.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 13, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2349.

TRAFFIC.

THE Peking Road Jetty will be closed to traffic during repairs, from Saturday, January 15, for about two weeks.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 13, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2352.

(*Translation.*)

CHINESE PAWNSHOP LICENCES.

NOTICE is hereby given that from and after this date every applicant for a Chinese Pawnshop licence will be required to make cash security deposits as follows:—

For a 1st Class Pawnshop licence	Tls.	200
,, 2nd ,, ,,		100
,, 3rd ,, ,,		50

Existing licensees are required to make the requisite deposit on or before February 29.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 20, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2353.

IN accordance with Article XVIII of the Land Regulations, we, the undersigned scrutineers duly appointed by the Council, hereby declare that the following nine Ratepayers polled the greatest number of votes at the election held on January 20 and 21, and are therefore declared to have been duly elected as the Council for the Foreign Community of Shanghai, for the year 1916:—

Baron Yoshiaki Fujimura	1016
E. C. Pearce	1008
C. G. S. Mackie	1008
E. C. Richards	1007
J. Johnstone	1004
Count L. Jezierski	1003
A. S. P. White-Cooper	1002
E. I. Ezra	993
W. L. Merriman	971

Total number of votes 1135 and 11 irregular votes.

W. S. JACKSON, H. A. J. MACRAY, } *Scrutineers.*

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 21, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2354.

(*Translation.*)

THE following amended licence condition will be enforced forthwith.

XII. OPIUM SHOP.

3.—That no opium be smoked or consumed on the premises, *and that no smuggled opium be knowingly sold on the premises.*

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 22, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2355.

ROAD PLANS.

NOTICE is hereby given that plans showing new roads, extension and widening of existing roads, and extension of lands already occupied by public works and for purposes of sanitation, in the Five Districts of the Settlement, as required in Articles VI and VIA of the Land Regulations, are now open to inspection at the Public Works Office. Copies thereof, when prepared, will be sent to the several Consular Land Offices.

Landowners and agents are reminded that, under the provisions of Land Regulation VIA proprietors have the right, for three months after the publication of notice that the plans are open to inspection, to protest in writing against any road, extension or widening of road, or extension of public works, or establishment of sanitary building or works, therein scheduled, following thereafter the procedure laid down in that Regulation.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 27, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2356.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Municipal Offices will be closed to public business from Thursday, February 3, to Monday, February 7, inclusive.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 27, 1916.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2357.

THOMAS HANBURY SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

THE Council is prepared to receive applications for the post of Temporary Assistant Matron in the Thomas Hanbury School for Boys.

Pay Tls. 40 per mensem: board and quarters are provided.

Candidates will be required to pass a medical examination as to fitness.

Applications with copies of testimonials should be forwarded to the undersigned not later than February 14.

By order,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 27, 1916.

AT the meeting of the Chinese Educational Committee held on Friday, January 21, 1916, at 5 o'clock p.m., there were:—

Present:

Messrs. E. I. Ezra (*Chairman*)
Rev. Dr. W. Hopkyn Rees
Mr. Shen Tun-ho
Mr. Chicheh Nieh

The meeting adjourned at 6.5 p.m.

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AT the meeting of the Parks Committee held on Tuesday, January 25, 1916, at 4.30 p.m., there were :—

Present:

Messrs. E. Jenner Hogg (*Chairman*)
Rev. Brother Faust
P. Peebles

The meeting adjourned at 5.15 p.m.

AT the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, January 26, 1916, at 4.30 p.m., there were :—

Present:

Messrs. E. C. Pearce (*Chairman*)
E. I. Ezra
A. Hide
A. Ishii
Count L. Jezierski
Messrs. J. Johnstone
C. G. S. Mackie
W. L. Merriman
A. S. P. White-Cooper

The meeting adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Policing Beyond Limits.

Police Report and continuation of the correspondence published in the Gazette of January 13, on the subject of the Chinese Soldiers on a Municipal Road :—

POLICE REPORT.

Mr. Springfield, Assistant Superintendent of Police, reports that at 6 a.m. on December 10 he was proceeding alone in his motorcar along the Hungjao Road. At a point about 50 yards from the Siccawei Road corner his car was suddenly stopped, and he was surrounded by about 10 Chinese soldiers, levelling their rifles, some of whom closed in and held their weapons a couple of inches from his head. They were in a highly excited state, and though informed of his identity and business they continued to cover him with their rifles. He attempted to show them a Chinese card, but they intimated that any movement would mean shooting. He was obliged to keep still for several minutes until an officer arrived, and then, on remonstrating, was allowed to proceed. Mr. Springfield after proceeding 100 yards was thereafter again obstructed by another group of soldiers, who once more covered him with their rifles, and he had difficulty in making them realise that he had already passed one patrol. The soldiers were so excited that any of their rifles might have gone off accidentally.

This took place on the Municipal Road : he was single-handed and without arms and his car was at a standstill.

Council Room,
Shanghai, January 19, 1916.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 4 enclosing the reply of the Chinese Authorities on the subject of the functioning of Chinese soldiers on the Hungjao Road which was the subject of a previous Police Report, and to express to you the Council's gratification upon learning that instructions have been given that more care is to be exercised for the future.

In communicating your acknowledgment of the Chinese Authorities' despatch on this subject I trust that you will be so good as to impress upon them the feature of the incident which is considered to be of special importance: it was not the Council's wish to request redress for the inconvenience occasioned to the Foreign resident, fortunately, on this occasion, a Municipal Police Officer, who coped with the situation satisfactorily ; but to obtain recognition of the fact that a trespass has been committed of a kind which has been somewhat too frequent in the past. Provided that this is clearly understood the Council's requirements are fully satisfied.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
E. C. PEARCE,
Chairman.

D. SIFFERT, Esq.,
Consul-General for Belgium,
and Senior Consul.

Opium.

Correspondence on the subject of the sale of smuggled opium by licensed shops in the Settlement, and relative extract from the International Opium Convention :—

Shanghai, January 8, 1916.

DEAR SIR,—We are desired by the Shanghai Opium Combine and the Opium Guild to bring to the notice of the Council the sale in opium shops licensed by the Council of smuggled opium, and to suggest means for its suppression.

As you are doubtless aware no opium is allowed to be sold in China other than certificated Indian opium. The importation or sale of all other opium such as uncertificated Indian, Persian or Manchurian opium, is prohibited both by Treaty and by the laws of China.

In pursuance of the policy of China, which has the approval of the Treaty Powers, the trade in opium will eventually be extinguished ; and with this object the export from India and import into China of certificated Indian opium has long ceased, and, when the existing stocks have been exhausted, no further opium will come from India to take their place.

The steady exhaustion of existing stocks has caused a great rise in price and this has brought about a very large amount of smuggling. The Customs have been successful in seizing great quantities of smuggled opium ; but, in spite of their vigilance, a considerable amount finds its way into the Settlement, and is sold by the smaller opium shops. The respectable shops have nothing to do with the sale of smuggled opium, but the small shops deal in it : and the evil has increased to such an extent, that it seriously prejudices the legitimate business of respectable shops. Legitimate opium is perfectly easily distinguished from smuggled opium, as every piece and packet bears the Government stamps, while the smuggled variety is of course unstamped ; and, apart from any stamp, the Persian and Manchurian opiums are quite different from Indian and Chinese varieties. Any dealer in raw opium can therefore distinguish at once whether he is buying legitimate opium or smuggled opium.

The suggestion we make is that it should be made a condition of the licensing of all opium shops that they only deal in legitimate opium, i.e., certificated Indian opium.

If it is found that they stock smuggled opium it can be seized and their license can be cancelled, and they can be dealt with by the Mixed Court.

The respectable shops are unanimous in support of this suggestion, and ask that the Council give it their careful and sympathetic consideration.

We are,
Yours faithfully,
WHITE-COOPER, OPPE & MASTER.
The SECRETARY, Municipal Council.

Council Room,
Shanghai, January 21, 1916.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 8 on the subject of the sale of smuggled opium in the Settlement and in reply to inform you that the Council entirely discountenances the sale of smuggled opium in licensed opium shops: and with a view to strict observance for the future of Article 15 Chapter IV of the International Opium Convention of January 23. 1912, has directed the inclusion and enforcement forthwith, of an additional provision in the licence, prohibiting its sale on such premises.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
J. B. MACKINNON,
Acting Secretary.

Messrs. WHITE-COOPER, OPPE & MASTER.

Extract from the International Opium Convention.

Article 15.—The contracting Powers having treaties with China (Treaty Powers), shall, in conjunction with the Chinese Government, take the necessary measures to prevent the smuggling into Chinese territory, as well as into their Far Eastern colonies and into the leased territories which they occupy in China, of raw and prepared opium.....

Trust Funds Investment.

Interchange of letters relating to the recent investment in sterling securities:—

Shanghai, January 16, 1916.

SIR,—The Municipal Gazette of December 2, 1915 contains the following notice :—

INVESTMENT OF TRUST FUNDS.

"In view of the fact that "Trust Funds to the amount of "Taels 400,000 are available for "investment, and that the present "juncture is exceptionally suitable for "investment in sterling securities the "Council has purchased Government "bonds to the following approximate "amounts :—

"British Government 4½ per cent. War Loan £30,000 at 99½ cum dividend.

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"New Russian Internal Short Term 5½ per cent. War Loan £10,000 at issue price 95 per cent.

"New French 5 per cent. War Loan £10,000 at issue price 88 per cent.

We, the undersigned Ratepayers, strongly protest against any such investment of Trust Funds on the part of the Municipal Council of the Shanghai Foreign International Settlement. The Funds entrusted to the Council consist in the Superannuation Fund of the Municipal Employees, the Funds of the Municipal Savings Bank, The Sikh Police Deferred Pay Fund, The Police Recreation and Rewards Fund, Deposits of Contractors and other Trust Money, all of which have been deposited with the Council in the Shanghai local silver currency and are repayable in the same currency and not in gold. Consequently there is not the slightest necessity for the Council of making any investments of its Trust Funds in gold currency and in making such investments the Council are running a risk in exchange or speculating in exchange as to which they have no right whatsoever.

Furthermore the Council must never lose sight of the fact that they represent a Foreign international community and that it is their duty to avoid anything that might look like partiality and unfriendliness to any of the Foreign nations, of which this community is composed.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

H. Figge
Carlowitz & Co. R. Laurenz
B. Rosenbaum, *per* R. L.
Klara Widmann
K. Bernauer
F. Ehrhardt
K. U. K. Oster-ung Generalkonsulat
For Siemens China Co. F. Ehrhardt
Fuhrmeister & Co.
G. Korndoerfer
Buchheister & Co.
Herm Gläser
Schnabel, Gaumer & Co. *p.p.* Fr. Müller
Telge & Schroeter
A. Berg
H. Thomsen
Dr. R. Gerngross
Max Nossler & Co. Otto Selke
Der Ostasiatische Lloyd, Fink
C. Stepharius
H. W. Breuer
F. Schnock
Hoettler & Co. A. Hoettler
Austrian Lloyd, W. Pucher
B. H. Fuhlers
Walter Scharff
R. Lundt
A. Sander
Joh. Stampff
O. Mordhorst *per* A. D.
A. Dabelstein
H. M. Schultz & Co.
Sander, Wieler & Co.
Mrs. Bierwirth
P. Westendorff
Garrels, Borner & Co. P. Westendorff
Artelt
Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Herm. Gatjen
L. Haas
Speerer
R. Stalmann
Ferd. Bornemann & Co., *ppa* R. Stalmann
for Carl Breiding & Sohn, R. Stalmann
for Ferd. Bornemann, R. Stalmann
F. Peltner
A. Zickermann
E. Hey
F. Heimann
Richter & Co.
G. W. Richter
K. von Tippelskirch
Hamburg-Amerika Linie Fil., Shanghai, G. Boolsen
H. Diederichsen & Co.
Ph. Moeller
M. Kindler
Dr. Kurz
A. Ehlers & Co., Th. Meyer
per The China Hide & Skin Export Co., Ld. F. Vogelbaum
R. Ditmar, Brunner Bros, Ld. J. Lenk
für Deutsche Druckerei & Verlagsanstalt, Frischen, Selke & Co.
Carl Frischen
G. Blumenstock
H. König
Priedemann
R. Gericke
C. F. Timm, I. A. L. Pfaff
Deutsche Medizin und Ingenieurschule, v. Schab
Deutsche Seemansheim, v. Schab
Paulun Hospital, v. Schab
Wilh. Trautmann
Siemssen & Co.
Otto Struckmeyer
P. Kirchner
E. R. Vennewitz
for Union Brauerei A.G., E.R. Vennewitz
for F. Schwarzkopf & Co., E. R. Vennewitz
W. Fütterer
F. W. Rosenbaum, Successor H. Spathe
for Alois Schweiger & Co., Ld., P.E. Loew
fuer Bela Molnar, M. Kars
fuer Molnar & Greiner in Vollm., M. Kars
John W. Bandow
E Siebert
A. Giesel
Giesel & Co., Ld, A. Giesel
H. Berghaeger
Carl Eckhardt
F. von Probst
E. W. Eickhoff

The SECRETARY, Municipal Council.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 22, 1916.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 16, on the subject of the Council's recent investment in sterling loans.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. MACKINNON,

Acting Secretary.

H. FIGGE, Esq., R. LAURENZ, Esq., and others.

Road Extensions and Widenings.

Canton and Shantung Roads.—The claim of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ld., has been accepted for the surrender from Lot 436 of the strips required for widening these roads at the assessed value, Tls. 25,000 per mow, plus 10 per cent. for compulsory surrender, and less one-third for betterment, or Tls. 2,456.67 for Mow 0.134.

Public Recreation Ground.

It has been decided, upon the recommendation of the Engineer, to fill in about 25 feet of the creek at the Loongfei entrance, to set the kerb to an improved curve, and to erect an open iron railing in place of the existing fence. One-half of the cost will be defrayed by the Race Club.

Municipal Staff.

EXTRACTS FROM THE ORDER BOOKS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, JANUARY 22.

Electricity Department.—Mr. A. L. Biggs is appointed temporarily as Assistant Storekeeper with effect from February 1.

Mr. L. Smith is appointed Shift Engineer on three months probation from February 1.

Voluntary War Service.—

Police Force.—Sergeant W. H. Coles, on long leave, has availed himself of the provisions of the arrangement contained in the Gazette of October 15, 1914.

Public Band.

The attendance on Sunday, January 23, numbered 510.

On Sunday next, January 30, at 4.30 p.m., the programme will be as follows:—

1. Overture "Ossian" Gade
2. Ballad and Variations from "Coppelia" Delibes
3. Chopin—Suite
   (*a*) Nocturne
   (*b*) Valse
   (*c*) Marche Funèbre

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*4. "Norwegian Artists' Carnival" Svendsen

5. Two Songs

(a) "None but a lonely heart" Tschaikowsky

(b) "From the days of youth" Radecke

Cornet-Solo : Mr. Biswang

6. Variations on a Folksong Ochs

*First performance at these concerts.

Conductor, Professor R. Buck.

Return of Communicable Disease.

Reported during the week ending Sunday, January 23, 1916.	Cases notified among Foreign resident population of 18,520	Deaths among Chinese resident population of 620,401
Small-pox	0	0
Cholera	0	0
Typhoid Fever	2	—
Diphtheria	1	0
Scarlet Fever	3	3
Tuberculosis	1	21
Plague	0	0
Dysentery	1	1
Total Deaths from all Causes	7	136

Arthur Stanley,
Health Officer

Plans of New Buildings Approved.

Cad. Lot	Road.	Applicant.	Description.
			Foreign
6013	Yangtsze-poo	Y. Hirano	weaving mill
2468	Bubbling Well	Lien Yung-kee	watchman's lodge
Unreg. E of 22·6	do.	Tilley and Limby	bridge
Unreg. W of 2430	do.	J. A. W. Loureiro	shed
3382	Sinza	Lee Zoong Tsing Dong	alterations to 4 houses
			Chinese
2925, 2970, 2971	Vangchow, Thorburn & Yang-tszepoo	Algar & Co., Ld.	488 houses, etc.
6013	Yangtsze-poo	San Sing Cotton Mfg Co., Ld.	9 houses, dining hall, & 2 watchmen's lodges
1740	Avenue Edward VII	Wah Sing	27 houses, etc.
Unreg. S of 2460	Bubbling Well	Lee Shao-kee	2 houses
969, 979, 981	Shanhai-kwan & Tatung	Chang Yung-kee	114 houses, etc.

Mixed Court Report for December.

The political unrest has been to some extent reflected in cases of a criminal nature coming before the Mixed Court during this month.

On December 3 Siau Meh-sung (蕭美臣), a soldier, Yang Nyok-jau (楊玉橋), blacksmith, and Jau Kwei-fok (喬桂福) were charged before Messrs. Grant-Jones and Yu with conspiring to cause the death of Van Soo-sung (萬素生), Lu Jui-sheng (陸瑞生) and Zu Ling-pau (錢林寶); further with killing and murdering Chinese Constable No. 126 and Zu Ling-pau (錢林寶) at Shantung Road on September 11, 1915. An explosive bomb was thrown at the office of the newspaper known as the "Asiatic Daily News." This paper appears to have incurred the wrath of the Republican Party by expressing monarchist views in its columns.

The first accused was sentenced to death and the other two were handed over to the Chinese Authorities to be dealt with.

On December 14 one Gee Sing-tsoo (祁性初) was before Messrs. Perkins and Wong, at the instance of the Chinese Authorities, alleged to have been a member of the Revolutionary Party and an active participator in the seizure of the cruiser "Chaoho" on December 5. This case is still pending.

On December 31 one Ling Zung-zee (林仲泉) was brought up before Messrs. Grant-Jones and Yu on a charge of attempting to murder one Ching Nyoh-ding (金玉廷). Both complainant and defendant were further charged with unlawfully conspiring with others to stir up rebellion within the country of China against the peace and good order of the said country of China. Both were ordered by the Court to be handed over to the Chinese Authorities after a *prima facie* case had been established to the satisfaction of the Court.

The Court was busily engaged dealing with 147 ricsha strikers for several days in the early part of the month. Those found guilty received sentences ranging from 4 days to 2 months.

Court of Appeal.—For the past four years no Court of Appeal has been convened to deal with appeals arising out of judgments given by the Mixed Court in civil cases. During this period appeals have been filed in connexion with civil cases as under :—

4 British,
1 Italian,
1 American,
1 Japanese and
52 Chinese.

The total sum in dispute is Mex. $50,236 and Tls. 308,720. It is obvious from the above figures that a way out of the deadlock is becoming urgent.

Here follow returns of Offences, Summonses and Warrants dealt with, Sentences and Decisions, Prisoners in custody, Foreign Civil Cases, Civil Defendants under detention and Chinese Civil Cases.

M. O. Springfield,
Acting Registrar.

Countersigned,
K. J. McEuen,
Captain-Superintendent of Police.

OFFENCES.

	Number Charged
1.—Offences Against the Person :—	
Abduction	1
Assault	54
Attempted suicide	2
Cruelty to Children	2
Intimidation	89
Kidnapping	8
Malicious Prosecution	1
Murder	5
2.—Offences Against Property :—	
Burglary	22
Cruelty to Animals	13
Extortion	2
False Pretences	7
Fraud	3
Godown-breaking	1
House-breaking	7
Larceny	257
Malicious damage	63
Receiving stolen property	14
Robbery	25
Unlawful possession	17
3.—Offences of a Public Nature :—	
Breach of the Licensing Bye-law or of Licence Conditions in respect to the following:—	
Carriages	22
Carts	40
Dairies	5
Dogs	4
Motor Cars	10
Opium Shop	1
Pawnshop	1
Ricshas	1,072
Tea Shops	3
Wheel-barrows	164
Wine Shops	2
Hawkers	15
Breach of Bye-laws and Regulations in respect to the following :—	
Arms	8
Fireworks	3
House Refuse	110
Lotteries	4
Nuisances	406
Prostitutes	19
Traffic	63
Bribery	1
Coining	1
Coin, Uttering Counterfeit	1
Contempt of Court	4
Fighting and creating a disturbance	55
Gambling	29
Loitering with intent	17
Obstructing the Police	4
Returning after expulsion	12
Smuggling	2
Trafficking in Women or Children	3
Vagrancy	4
4.—Miscellaneous Cases	12
Total	2,688

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SENTENCES AND DECISIONS.

	Number Dealt with
Bail Forfeited	1,692
Cases Withdrawn	2
Cautioned	18
Dismissed	97
Expulsion	2
Fined	358
Handed to Parents or Guardians	6
Imprisonment	424
Imprisonment and Expulsion	43
Left to Civil Court	1
Reformatory	9
Released on Security	5
Sent to Chinese Authorities	17
Sent to Military Governor of Shanghai	3
Sent to Charitable Institutions	3
Sent to French Police	5
Various	3
TOTAL	2,688

WOMEN'S PRISON.

On December 1	70
Received	59
Released	56
On December 31	73

SUMMONSES AND WARRANTS.

Summonses Issued	57
Summonses Served	70
Warrants Issued	45
Warrants Executed	22

FOREIGN CIVIL CASES.

Warrants issued	11
" executed	6
" withdrawn	2
Summonses issued	32
" served	30
" withdrawn	5
Persons apprehended on Warrants	6
" summoned	25
Sealing orders issued	90
" " executed	8
" " not executed (claim settled)	36
" " withdrawn	7
" " not executed for various reasons, pending	39
Re-opening orders executed	8

CHINESE CIVIL CASES.

Petitions filed requiring a hearing	119
" " of a miscellaneous nature	50
Cases added to hearing list	97
" heard	108
" in course of hearing	54
" concluded	78
" awaiting first hearing on Dec. 31	366
Summonses issued	124
" served	104
" withdrawn	5
Warrants issued	58
" executed	17
" withdrawn	12
Persons arrested on warrant	18
" summoned	117
" failed to appear on first summons	84
Sealing orders issued	17
" " executed	5
" " not executed (claim settled)	7
" " pending	5
Re-opening orders executed	2

HOUSE OF DETENTION.

On December 1	107
Received	47
Released	43
On December 31	111

SUMMARY OF FOREIGN CASES HEARD

Plaintiffs	Nationality	Defendants	Claim	Judgment
C. Kingman	British	Wong Sau-ji	Tls. 102,000	Case proceeding
Fuhrmeister & Co.	German	Wong Vung-ching	Tls. 2,200	Case proceeding
R. W. Sexton	American	Wong Ah-sien	Tls. 416 and $1,000	For Plaintiff for Tls. 416 and $1,000
Wong Kyung Ziang	Japanese	Ng Seu Mai et al	$2,219.50	Case proceeding
do.	"	do.	Tls. 725	Case proceeding
H. Hanson	American	Eu Kyung-daung	$6 338.50 and $30,000 damages	For defendant
Barlow & Co.	British	Ng Tsz-hsien	Tls. 6,389.79 and £29,429-9-9	Case proceeding
H. P. Wilkinson	"	Loh Hong	$860	For Plaintiff
China Import & Export Lumber Co.	"	Tsang Ji-tuh	Tls. 486.02	For Plaintiff Tls. 486.02
A. B. Goldman	Russian	Ng Kyung-san	$26	Case dismissed
R. Luff	British	Dzung Gi-ding	Tls. 8,020	Case dismissed
Toshado	Japanese	Zau Kyung-dzung	Tls. 2,026.80	Judgment reserved

Engineer's Report for December.

All the bridges over the old Yangkingpang have been removed with the exception of those at The Bund, Honan Road and Shantung Road. The two latter will be removed in the course of the next few weeks and arrangements are being made with regard to the removal of The Bund Bridge. This bridge is of reinforced concrete construction and the work of removal will be somewhat complicated by reason of the necessity for maintaining the tramway service over it and of continuing the line of the two culverts out to the River front. It is very desirable that this bridge be removed, chiefly in order that the roadway at this point may be lowered sufficiently to make it conform with the level of the new roadway along the line of the old creek. The making up of the latter is proceeding satisfactorily in the various sections.

Thibet Road has been opened to traffic north of Nanking Road, whilst the making up of the road has been completed southwards as far as Swatow Road. Arrangements have been made for the lighting of this road to be effected by means of 200 C.P. metallic filaments on long arms placed on alternate sides of the road.

A great improvement has been effected in the lighting of The Bund, the flame arcs having been replaced by 200 C.P. Metallic filaments suspended across the road between the tramway standards. The result is that the light is much more evenly distributed over the road.

Works involving the use of concrete have been delayed during the month on account of the frosty weather experienced on certain days in the early mornings and in the latter part of the afternoons. On such days it has been deemed advisable to carry out concrete work only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. the effect of frost on new concrete being to prevent it from properly setting.

Roads.—The east end of Madras Road where it joins the Kandy Road has been raised with mud dredged from the Wayside Public Wharf. The latter road, which runs along the River frontage at The Point, has been widened by the Flour Mill, raised and the decayed Foochow pole railing replaced by standard iron railing.

Macao Road is being raised with mud dredged from in front of the Health Department's Shoot along the Hongkew Creek.

Drainage.—The relaying of the section of the North Kiangse Road sewer between its outlet at the Soochow Creek and Tiendong Road has been commenced, the relaying of the section north of Tiendong Road having been carried out during the summer.

The laying of a 3ft. culvert in Avenue Road immediately west of Hardoon Road has been completed at the expense of the adjoining property owner. The laying of the 3ft. culvert from west of Medhurst Road to Carter Road has been completed for about one-half of its length.

The laying of a 4ft. 6in. culvert in the Yungzeenpang, west of Hardoon Road, has been commenced, this work being carried out at the expense of the adjoining property owner.

A short length of the side ditch in Gordon Road north of Sinza Road opposite some Chinese houses has been culverted with 3ft. diameter tubes, a contribution towards the cost of the work having been made by the interested party.

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Bundings.—Progress on the Markham Road reinforced concrete bunding has been satisfactory during the month.

The wooden bunding in Brenan Road close to where the Fahwah Creek joins the Soochow Creek has been reconstructed.

New Central Offices.—The construction of the first floor has progressed considerably during the month, and practically all the centering is in position. The external walls have also proceeded steadily to nearly first floor level.

New Hongkew Fire Station.—The building generally is now up to the first floor level. The centering for this floor has been laid, and the steel reinforcements are being fixed in position.

Bubbling Well Police Station Boundary Wall.—This work is now completed.

Maternity Ward Extension.—The main structure has been completed. The wood and terrazo floors are being laid, doors and windows hung, and the water and light services are being commenced. The building should be ready for occupation by about the end of next month, or the beginning of February.

Thomas Hanbury School for Boys.—The scaffolding is now being taken down. The electrical tubing is finished, thus enabling the last of the plastering to be completed. All the wood floors are laid and the doors and windows are being hung. The building of the boundary wall is begun.

Nieh Chih Kuei Public School for Chinese.—This building is practically finished, except for the heating. The mud filling is complete and the road is being constructed.

Sikh Gurdwara at Western Police Depôt.—The walls are now up to between the first and second floor levels, and the first floor joists have been fixed. The concretework to stairs and landings have been commenced.

Sentry Towers at Gaol.—The alterations to the tower at the north-east corner of the compound are finished and also the one at the north-west corner, except for the demolition of the centering of the roof and general finishing off.

New Block at Isolation Hospital.—The Contractor has commenced work on this building. The bamboo fence round the site is being erected, and materials are being conveyed to the job.

Wuchow Road Market.—The concrete work of the roof is completed.

Tungchow Road Sub-Station.—The concrete of the roof is completed with the exception of the roof over the ventilators.

Delhi Road Sub-Station.—The concrete of the first floor is in position and the centering of the upper walls is under construction.

Markham Road Sub-Station.—The concrete of the first floor is completed and the walls up to the next floor are in course of construction.

Brenan Road Sub-Station.—The concrete of the first floor is partly in position and the reinforcement of the upper walls is being erected.

Fingchiao Quarry.—1,444 fong of materials was dispatched to the Public Works Department during the month.

Cleansing and Watering Total

Road sweepings collected	4,487	cartloads
Used for raising land	617	,,
Water used for street watering	3,855,600	gallons.

Labour.—The average number of labourers employed daily was as follows:—

Coolies	2,544
Artisans	333
Foremen	206
Mafoos	167
Convicts	225

Concreteware.—The following has been produced during the month:—

Hand-made	32,761	pieces
Machine-made	2,422	,,

Work Shelters.—There were 184 admissions during the month and 340 bundles of wood chopped.

New Buildings.—Summary of work done during the month:—

Description of Work	*Total*
*Buildings under construction	326
Plans submitted for approval	82
Plans approved	71
Inspections by Inspectors	3,197
Boundary walls erected	4
Carpenter sheds erected	4
Repairs to buildings effected	49
New shop fronts inserted	21
Shop fronts, etc., painted	129
Alterations effected	25
Fences erected	17
Sign-boards erected	208
Temporary cloth sunshades erected	3
Temporary mat sunshades erected	48
Dangerous notices issued	1

*These figures refer to the number of blocks of buildings under construction, the number of houses would be considerably greater.

Dangerous Structures

Dangerous structures reported by Public Works Department	1
1st Intimation Notices issued	1

Survey Work.

Official measurements of new lots	85
Boundary stone certificates issued	41
Consular lots surveyed	19
New Consular Lots placed under taxation	6
Official plans prepared	20
Surveys made in connexion with Road Widenings and/or Extensions	69
Lots examined to ascertain whether they included roads and/or waterways which are or may in future be of use to the public	85

M. C. R. Stones have been erected as follows:—

Central District	2
Northern ,,	6
Eastern ,,	14
Western ,,	76

CHAS. H. GODFREY,
Engineer & Surveyor.

Report by the Director of Chinese Study.

The principal features of the work for the quarter ending December 31, 1915 are:—

(1) A steady decrease in the number studying Chinese.

(2) Continual improvement in the methods of study: the students are giving most of their time to acquiring the dialect by ear and learning how to use it after.

I.—Number Studying.

Police Department	73
Health Department	10
Electricity Department	2
Tax Department	1
Public Schools for Chinese	5
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There has thus been a decrease of nine during the last quarter.

II.—Police Force.

(*a*) The attendance at the Monthly Tests shows a noticeable falling off in December. With regard to daily study there have been fewer absences due to unexplained causes, but the amount of time lost through leave, sickness and duty has been larger than in the two previous quarters. This is mainly due to extra duty, which presumably results from the decreasing strength of the Force. In the Monthly Tests, on the part of those who attended, in general excellent results were shown and good use is being made of the time allotted to study.

Endeavours are being continued to bring the Chinese study of the employees in line with modern ideas on language study so far as possible under the conditions which obtain. The system which is established centres upon one object, that is, to make the study of the dialect as "direct" as possible: and judging from the more ready acquiescence in requirements, which naturally at first were not always understood, it is evident that there is more realization that the method will, in the end, make it easier to secure and retain a bonus: and what is far more important, that the efficiency of the employees in their direct contact with the Chinese residents is greatly increased. There is a growing sense of the value of the knowledge of Chinese. Efforts have been maintained to show teachers and students how to use and master the work assigned. In consequence a much smaller amount of text has been assigned for study, but a much larger degree of efficiency in the mastering thereof has been required. The mastery of each portion of the text increases the ease with which additional work can be learned. The improvement in the ability of the students to discuss the work assigned in actual conversation has been gratifying. This is the feature which has been constantly emphasized. The system was not altogether understood at first and created doubt in the

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minds of the students, but that seems to have practically passed away, in consequence of which the work during the last year has been much more pleasant and satisfactory for all concerned.

III.—Health Department.

The work has progressed steadily, though there has been some decrease in the number of students: one of these has been exempted and three have resigned from the service. Of all those at present studying it may be said that they are making energetic and regular progress.

IV.—Other Departments.

At present two members of the Electricity Department are studying, one of whom holds the Second Standard Bonus. There is also one member of the Tax Department studying. These are all making fairly steady progress.

Summary of attendance with the usual statement of bonus holders is appended.

FRANK RAWLINSON,
Director of Chinese Study.

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

Station	Possible Attendances	Actual Attendances	Absences			
			Leave	Sick	Duty	Other causes
Central	1194	909	120	42	123	
Hongkew	689	553	33	11	90	
West Hongkew	474	334	12	88	30	
Wayside	442	320	44	19	56	3
Louza	516	376	17	27	78	3
Bubbling Well	409	304	31	14	55	5
Harbin Road	197	70	19	47	59	1
Gordon Road	282	221	18	1	33	9
Sinza	437	329	6	24	78	
North Szechuen Rd.	459	351	45	16	29	10
Yangtzepoo	479	359	34	2	84	

Triennial statement of bonus-holders in the Police Force and the Health Department :—

	1912		Bonus			1915	
	Strength	%	Higher	Lower	Temporary	Strength	%
Police—							
Inspectors	32	66	22			32	69
Sergeants	92	52	31	17	6	104	52
Constables	102	14	3	6	11	59	34
Health Department—							
Inspectors	5	100	3			3	100
Assistant Inspectors	20	55	7	3	3	15	87

Summary of Revenue for December.

Description	Estimate for 1915	1915			1914			1913		
		Number	Amount	Total from January 1.	Number	Amount	Total from January 1.	Number	Amount	Total from January 1.
	Tls.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts
*LAND TAX	680,000	—	6,061.76	673,226.12	—	9,906.87	659,396.66	—	8,663.81	672,286.83
GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE—										
*Foreign	570,000	—	36,630.30	553,485.52	—	24,029.36	552,610.66	—	16,936.06	548,959.09
*Chinese	825,000	—	62,593.64	846,035.80	—	22,201.82	772,987.95	—	22,172.37	738,847.76
*Special Advertisement Rate	500	—	—	588.50	—	—	—	—	—	—
WHARFAGE DUES	175,000	—	50,016.37	183,288.82	—	38,555.23	189,361.98	—	55,911.20	215,244.71
LICENCE FEES—										
Tavern	16,800	—	—	17,534.00	2	16.00	17,387.00	1	30.00	16,573.00
Foreign Liquor Seller	18,600	4	133.34	17,716.72	—	—	19,284.08	4	100.01	19,483.43
Billiard & Bowling Saloon	550	—	—	55 .50	—	—	562.50	—	—	663.00
Chinese Club	3,200	—	—	3,512.50	—	—	3,175.02	—	—	3,145.83
Chinese Lodging-house	11,700	1	24.00	12,563 20	—	—	11,376.50	—	—	10,672.00
Chinese wine-shop	30,500	343	2,705.95	31,352.00	10	29.50	29,619.34	4	5.00	28,583.50
Tea-shop	9,500	699	860.00	9,816.10	664	793 20	9,289.70	612	774.10	9,483.70
Foreign Theatre	5,600	15	473.00	5,517.40	18	443 31	5,702.31	15	430 00	4,744.00
Chinese Theatre	9,000	18	743.00	9,245.00	21	745.00	9 029.00	22	754.00	8,714.50
Pawn-shop	21,000	293	5,594.34	22,217.58	—	—	15,862.43	—	—	13,741.69
Opium-shop	125,000	430	10,457.50	137,290 25	599	9,717.00	122,624.00	560	8,953.00	86,386.00
Cargo Boat	5,300	964	516.99	5,655.26	880	455.00	5,348.52	826	468.22	5,470.77
Ferry and Passenger Boat	1,100	64	93.06	1,107.42	64	91.65	1,098.97	60	87.48	1,051.58
Launch	2,500	34	49.44	2,353.36	45	64.44	2,404.09	42	61.24	2,220 95
Chinese Boat	5,000	1,869	438.94	4,867.97	1,883	424.61	5,020.13	2,008	443 34	4,707.69
Sampan	1,200	68	49.42	1,116.48	67	48.08	1,110.85	90	65 82	1,109.82
Private-owned Pony and Carriage	13,000	P. 20 C. 16	69.15	12,800.31	P. 8 C. 7	14.68	13,090.59	P. 28 C. 27	90.95	13,785.49
Livery Stable	18,000	P. 433 C. 297	1,177.15	15,574.89	P. 500 C. 373	1,430.62	20,796.81	P. 631 C. 514	1,969.35	24,143.34
Motor Car	19,000	39	164.78	20,196.71	22	100.08	16,618.68	28	166.76	12,378.32
Cart	24,500	1,421	2,189 50	26,457.00	1,290	1,971.00	26,266.50	1,282	1,940.00	22,944.50
Private-owned Ricsha	44,000	77	86.50	41,941.96	55	59.16	44,021.66	137	219.65	44,709.39
Public Ricsha	151,000	7,818	11,372.32	154,690.11	9,065	13,036 23	151,077.21	8,271	12,123.31	151,518.66
Sedan-chair	250	4	5.81	226.09	7	9.29	267.65	13	21.87	363.13
Wheel-barrow	42,000	8,301	4,157.06	40,727.43	7,471	3,739 88	41,6 0.48	7,780	3,893.49	38,670.41
Firearms	2,100	1	75.00	1.500.00	1	75.00	2,175.00	—	—	2,400.00
Dog	1,800	19	13.81	1,754.87	24	17.21	1,735.85	46	33.63	1,784.19
RENT OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES—										
Markets	83,060	4,657	7,269.31	81,090.90	4,191	6,145.21	61,157.04	3,986	3,971.75	42,083.06
Town Hall	800	—	390.00	650.00	—	—	800.00	—	260.00	710.00
Firemen's Quarters	2,650	—	210.00	2,265.75	—	210.00	2,199.40	—	160.50	2,368.11
Assessed Rentals of Mun. Quarters	7,000	—	445.00	6,047.34	—	—	6,401.77	—	615.00	6,674.81
Miscellaneous	500	—	.73	437.96	—	—	1,752.47	—	1,156.48	13,567.48
REVENUE FROM PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL UNDERTAKINGS.										
Gas Co., Ld.	5,000	—	457.64	5,464.27	—	449.13	5,262.58	—	415.30	5,002.08
Mutual Telephone Co. Ld.	5,330	—	—	5,332 00	—	—	4,000.00	—	—	4,000.00
Electric Construction Co. Ld	35,000	—	9.744.71	35,748.10	—	8,504.80	35,122.87	—	8,901.22	33,638.12
Electricity Department	34,420	—	8,605.00	34,420.00	—	7,563.75	30,255.00	—	6,628.75	26,515.00
Total Tls.	3,006,460		223,874.52	3,026,373.19		150,847.11	2,897,925.25		158,423.66	2,839,143.94

*Still in process of collection,

E. L. ALLEN, *Overseer of Taxes.*

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TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING MUNICIPAL TENDERS.

1. The Council reserves to itself the right to accept the whole or part of any tender.
2. The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender or to pay any expenses which the tenderers may incur in tendering.
3. The contractor whose tender is eventually accepted may be required to give satisfactory security for the performance of the contract.
4. The names of tenderers, with prices quoted, will be published in the Municipal Gazette.
5. A fee may be charged for specifications, to be returned upon receipt of a *bonâ fide* tender.
6. Tenders, sealed and labelled on the outside as to their contents, should be forwarded, preferably by chit book or registered letter, to "The Secretary, Municipal Council, 24 Kiangse Road" not later than noon on the day fixed for their receipt.

工部局承攬信章程

一 所有承攬各項本局承辦工程係由本局自有佛洋銀份項

二 所有承攬價目是極低本局亦不准辦理如有估定必准承辦之價目必須本局認付款之用本行估定之後保留之權承攬人到局之後登入各人之信及承攬之價目以後所有承攬人公報伸入知悉

三 鄉人遵照合同辦理寬免的寬條

四 所有承攬人須繳付保單若此項保單須內繳則

五 本局必取明瞭明清單者方將該款之一律退還

六 投標所有承攬信件必須加蓋火漆其面寫明承攬信件至西江路二號三十號工部局收

二部局辦處須在信內挂號

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清單送來之後番次概免交款

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TENDERS INVITED

No.	Description	Fee	Date for receipt of tenders
	VOLUNTEER CORPS		
	Information on the subject of tenders under this Section may be obtained at the Headquarters, 15 Canton Road		
1	200 Bandoliers	—	February 29
2	200 Waterbottles	—	,,
	ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT		
	Information as to tenders under this Section may be obtained at the Electricity Offices, 66 Szechuen Road		
143	160 Straight-through Cast Iron Joint Boxes	—	January 27

TENDERS RECEIVED

GENERAL

No. 1

Supply of Coal for use in the Municipal Offices, etc.

	Per ton
*Hopkins' Dunn & Co., Ld.	
Best Screened House Coal	Tls. 8 25
Kitchen Coal No. 1 quality	7.50
,, ,, ,, 2 ,,	6.75
Hongay Anthracite	14.75
P. Heath & Co.	
Anthracite	11.50

POLICE FORCE

Tender No 72

Convicts' Food

For three months	Rice	Wheat	Flat Beans	Red Beans
Woo Shing	$7.20	$5.20	$4.40	$4.70
Yee Dah & Co.	7.00	4.80	4.20	4.20
*Dong Shing & Co.	7.00	4.70	3.50	4.00

ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT

Tender No. 138

Stationery requirements during 1916

China Publishing & Printing Co.	$5,245.25
The Mercantile Printing Co., Ld.	5,014.20
The Yung Hing Printing Co.	4,840.75
E-shing	4,457.05
Brewer & Co., Ld.	4,143.00
International Printing Co.	4,700 20
*National Press, Ld.	4,018.75

*Accepted

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